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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner, dated January 15, 2003, rejecting claims: 1-20.

The applicant is a small entity. Therefore the fee for this Notice is (37 CFR 1.17(b)) \$160.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501913. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

If any impediments remain, please contact the undersigned at 925-292-8652.

Respectfully submitted,

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